

## MINERS DEAD LOCKED IN CONFERENCE

## CHICAGO WILL GET REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

REPUBLICAN  
COMMITTEE  
IN SESSION

Many Women Participate in  
Opening Session of Great  
Political Gathering.

(BULLETIN)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—Forty  
prominent Republicans of California have  
telegraphed an appeal to Will H. Hays,  
chairman of the Republican committee,  
to urge party senators to ratify the peace  
treaty.

This was announced here today by the  
local branch of the League to Enforce  
Peace.

BY WILLIAM PHILIP SIMMS  
STAFF CORRESPONDENT (N. S. SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—If we go  
into this campaign upon a platform of  
economy and efficiency in public admin-  
istration, of firmness and justice in our  
foreign relations, and of constructive  
and practical progress towards our do-  
mestic development, we shall be over-  
whelmingly successful.

This was the keynote sentence of the  
keynote speech of Gov. Wm. C. Sproul  
of Pennsylvania in opening the first  
national conference of the Republican  
national committee here today at the  
New Willard Hotel, called by Chairman  
Wm. C. Hays for the purpose of naming  
a time and place for the Republican con-  
vention next year.

The Democratic party was excoriated  
by Gov. Sproul for "its disgraceful and  
humiliating" manner in handling the  
Mexican situation; its "inefficiency and  
extraneousness" in the "conduct of the  
war," and its "administrative weak-  
nesses."

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STAFF CORRESPONDENT (N. S. SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—The  
Republican national committee met  
here today in the city of Chicago, which  
will be the place and time for the 1920  
convention.

The St. Louis delegation, wearing  
their "glad hand" buttons and 1919  
badges were still fighting valiantly to  
bring the great meeting to their city.  
With the San Francisco clan favoring  
Chicago, it looked something like  
batting for a lost cause.

William R. Wiley of Chicago will  
head the general division of public in-  
formation of the Republican national  
committee this afternoon.

At the executive meeting of the national  
committee this afternoon  
it was decided to select a committee  
consisting of twelve members of the  
national executive committee and twenty-  
five or thirty leading Republicans  
representing groups of business men,  
farmers, laboring men, which will devote  
the next six months to concentrated  
thought on the subject of policies and  
platforms. This committee will make  
suggestions for the resolutions commit-  
tee at the next convention.

The committee also decided to create  
a council consisting of the twelve mem-  
bers who will formulate suggestions for  
policies and platforms and an equal  
number of Republicans who are not mem-  
bers of the national committee, includ-  
ing four women.

MEET AT NEW WILLARD.  
The opening session of the commit-  
tee's conference in the red room of the  
New Willard hotel was public. A large  
number of women were present, in-  
cluding fourteen representatives of the  
women's division of the republican na-  
tional committee, representing fourteen  
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FRESH COMPLAINTS  
OF FT. SHERIDAN

Crippled War Heroes Serv-  
ed With Food That Brings  
Many Kicks.

If one-half is true that crippled sol-  
diers housed at Fort Sheridan say is  
true, a congressional investigation is  
due and probably will be forthcoming.  
That will make "Fanny" Baker sit up  
and take notice.

Jay Weigle, son of Mrs. W. E. Reilly,  
44 Warren st., who since he was wounded  
by shrapnel at Chateau Thierry nearly  
two years ago, has submitted to many  
operations, is one of the complaints. If  
he were not for the box of food that his  
mother sends him nearly every week,  
Weigle says he could not stand it. Some  
of the boys say they are being literally  
starved to death. The cooking is said  
to nauseate the patients and by the time  
the food gets to the boys some of it is  
just water and grease. Relatives of the  
big crowd of boys kept at the hospital  
are up in arms over the quality of the  
cooking and already the aid of congress  
has been called to the condition of things  
at Fort Sheridan, where it is said that  
the crippled heroes ought to have the  
best there is.

Are you reading The Times?

AUTUMN  
RECORDS  
BROKEN

Thirty-Four Degrees Below  
Zero Prevalent in Mis-  
sissippi Valley.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
CHICAGO, Dec. 10.—Temperatures  
ranging from zero to thirty-four de-  
grees below that mark throughout the  
Mississippi Valley and Rocky Mountain  
states today. The extreme cold is ac-  
companied in some sections by storms  
and in many areas deep snow lies up-  
on the ground.

Even on the Pacific coast and in the  
Southern states, according to reports  
reaching here, new records for cold  
have been established in many places.  
The lowest temperature listed in govern-  
ment reports here today was at Lan-  
der, Wyo., where the mercury dropped  
to 24 degrees below zero. Havre,  
Mont., showed 20 below; Cheyenne 28;  
Bismarck, N. D., 22, and temperatures  
ranging from five below to twenty be-  
low were reported from many points  
in Minnesota, Iowa, Kansas, Colorado,  
South Dakota, Washington and other  
Western states.

Intense suffering, most of it due to  
the shortage of fuel, has followed in  
the wake of the cold wave. Many  
towns in Kansas are reported entirely  
out of fuel and a serious fuel situa-  
tion is reported in Montana. The pinch  
of the coal shortage also is being felt  
with increasing vigor today in Illinois.

In Chicago, with the thermometer  
standing at five degrees below zero  
early today, charitable institutions  
found themselves taxed to the utmost  
to care for requests that came in for  
aid. More than 4,000 families in Chi-  
cago, it is estimated, have appealed for  
help from municipal authorities.

Although the cold wave, it is pre-  
dicted, will be of several days duration,  
a moderation in temperatures is fore-  
cast for tomorrow.

MILLION DOLLAR  
DAM GOES OUT

Highest Water Stage in His-  
tory Wrecks Southern  
Lights and Water Plant

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 10.—"She's  
gone and I'm going too," was the last  
word heard from the Montgomery Light  
& Water Power Company's plant at Tal-  
lahassee, ten miles north of here, spoken  
over the telephone by the superintendent  
of that plant as the great dam across  
the Tallapoosa river gave way about six  
o'clock last night under the pressure of  
what is said to be the highest water stage  
in history. At this time water was  
six feet in the plant where before the  
break it had risen to within one foot  
of the plant.

Grave fear is felt for the dam of the  
Falls Manufacturing Company, five miles  
south of Tallahassee, where when last  
heard from last night at 7 o'clock the  
water stood eight feet in the plant proper.

It is feared the property damage will  
be very heavy, the Tallahassee dam alone  
costing over a million dollars. However,  
no great loss of life is feared, as mes-  
sengers were sent out by every available  
means hours before the dam broke, and  
owing to the heavy rains for the past  
several days which flooded the entire  
lowlands it is thought that persons living  
in lowlands had already prepared to  
move to higher grounds. Citizens living  
in the northern part of Montgomery  
county were warned last night to vacate.  
Railroad service is practically at a  
standstill. Telephone and telegraph  
service is badly crippled.

BUNCH ARRIVES  
AT PRISON

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 10.—Rolla H.  
Bunch, former mayor of Muncie, Ind.,  
and notorious in police circles in  
Indiana, and Horace Murphy, former  
prosecuting attorney of the county in  
which Muncie is located, arrived at the  
federal prison here last night to begin  
terms of two years each. Both were  
sentenced for conspiracy in the alleged  
promotion of fake prize fights in and  
about Muncie.

CHANGE POLICY  
AT THE ORPHEUM

A new policy is to be started by the  
management of the Orpheum, Gary's  
most popular play house, starting next  
week. Instead of a change in the bill  
four times a week there will only be  
three. There will be a new bill on  
Monday's and Thursday's with the usual  
five act Sunday vaudeville program.

TEN MORE CITIES  
SWING WET

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
BOSTON, Dec. 10.—Returns today  
from 13 Massachusetts cities holding  
elections yesterday show that all ex-  
cept Melrose had swung into the "wet"  
column. This supplemented the license  
victory of December 2, when twenty  
cities went wet.

Attleboro, without a saloon for two  
hundred and twenty-five years, is the  
latest addition to the "wet" column.  
The first time in its history  
"wet" as did Malden, Medford and  
Salem.

Varady  
In Serious  
Trouble

Girl Accuses D. Varady of  
Operating Still; Federal  
Officers Act Swiftly.

Faced with the facts hurled at him in  
rapid succession by pretty Caroline Kish,  
whose anger threatened to get beyond  
her control, Dan Varady, 4302 Alexander  
ave., East Chicago, made admissions yes-  
terday to federal officials which warrant-  
ed his being held to the federal grand  
jury for evening and operating stills for  
the manufacture of whiskey. These ad-  
missions lead the officials to believe that  
further evidence will be uncovered to  
show that Varady operated a string of  
stills in various localities.

## ANOTHER KISH IMPLICATED.

The beans were spilled Saturday at  
Crown Point. Alexander Kish and son,  
Alexander Jr., who own a farm two miles  
west of Griffith, had been arrested by  
deputy sheriffs for operating a still in  
their house. Each had been fined \$50 and  
costs and the father had been allowed  
to go home on account of the family,  
which consists of a wife and six chil-  
dren. The young man had remained in  
jail waiting for Varady to pay the fine.  
Varady, however, would have nothing to  
do with them, whereupon Miss Caroline  
took to the streets and Varady was  
arrested in East Chicago.

Varady, who is considered the most  
influential man among the farmers of  
the "Okla-homa" district of East Chicago,  
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MAY MAKE  
CHANGES  
IN HOURS

Changes in the hours for the operation  
of business in Hammond will probably be  
made soon to conform with latest orders  
from the fuel administrator. Hammond  
merchants were thrown into confusion  
this morning when they learned that  
the new orders do not provide for longer  
hours on Saturdays as had been estab-  
lished when the local regulations were  
drawn up. As pressure is being brought  
to bear upon the fuel administrator from  
all sides it is possible that a change will  
be made in the order before next Sat-  
urday.

Under the new ruling billiard and pool  
rooms, bowling alleys, dance halls, and  
similar places of amusement, may be  
open only from 7 to 11 o'clock in the  
evening.

Investigation Tuesday showed that  
several business men of Hammond were  
not living up to the regulations which  
they agreed to observe. Each was  
warned by city officials and the next  
time an infraction is reported the North-  
western Indiana Gas & Electric Co. will  
be ordered to shut off their gas and elec-  
tricity.

Several calls for help have been re-  
ceived from needy families by Mayor  
Brown within the last few days. Through  
the assistance of the Salvation Army  
and the township trustee calls have  
been attended to promptly.

A. F. OF L. TO END  
STEEL STRIKE ON  
DEC. 13, RUMOR

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 10.—There is  
a well defined rumor in iron and steel  
circles today that the American Federa-  
tion of Labor national committee will  
meet in Washington on Saturday to  
recommend to the national body the  
calling off of the steel strike.

Officials of leading companies and the  
United States Steel corporation, while  
not allowing the use of their names,  
claimed to have positive assurance of  
this, because so many workers are in-  
volved outside of the steel industry  
that it was no longer possible to hold  
the men together.

Many of these workmen, such as  
brick and clay workers, cooper, machin-  
ists, plumbers, quarry workers,  
stationary firemen, switchmen, steam  
shovel and dredge men, all of whom  
are represented on the national commit-  
tee, are working and are being as-  
sured to keep up the strike, while  
at the same time thousands of iron and  
steel workers are flocking into the  
mills.

## HELD FOR MILITARY

Pending developments in the case  
Milo Lackmich, 421 Connecticut street  
in Gary, is being held in custody of  
the Gary police for the military author-  
ities. The nature of the charges was  
not disclosed. He was placed under  
arrest at the police station.

COAL SHORTAGE  
ABSOLUTELY  
SURE FOR U.S.

Six Weeks Strike Is Sure to  
Bring Disaster For a  
Long Time.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—A coal short-  
age is in prospect for the country for  
the next cold months in the opinion of  
the coal experts in Washington who are  
today checking the effects of six weeks  
of strike in the mining districts and  
applying their findings to next year's  
outlook.

The loss in production during the six  
weeks of the coal strike is estimated at  
1,000,000 tons. Large quantities of coal  
which the railroads, steel mills, industries  
and manufacturing enterprises are ac-  
customed to carry on hand as a safe-  
guard against emergencies have been  
consumed and it is not expected that  
these stocks will be restored to normal  
for several months after the miners  
return to work.

There is no indication that the regu-  
lations and restrictions of the federal  
fuel administration will be removed for  
several months.  
The railroad administration is now in  
the process of making the greatest cur-  
tailment of traffic that the nation has  
ever known. Approximately 200,000  
train miles will be cut from the passen-  
ger schedule each day during the re-  
minder of this week. It is estimated  
that this will bring about a saving of  
15,000 tons of coal a day.

WILSON IS  
BLAMED FOR  
SUGAR MESS

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—(Special)—Re-  
sponsibility for the shortage and high price  
of sugar was placed on the president to-  
day by Senator McNary, Republican, of  
Oregon, speaking on the bill providing  
for the purchase of the sugar crop and  
the extension of the life of the sugar  
equalization board.

Senator Gay, Democrat, Louisiana, ob-  
jected to the consideration of the bill,  
the anti-sedition bill being the regular  
order in the senate. His objection was  
overruled. With Senator Randall of  
Louisiana, Gay opposes the passage of  
the bill.

Several members of the board asked  
the president to give them this authority  
last July. It has not been done. The  
knowledge that we had not negotiated  
for the Cuban crop caused the sugar  
shortage.

"It is the psychological effect. The  
anticipation of a shortage always causes  
an actual shortage because of hoarding,"  
Senator McNary read the letter of the  
Sugar Growers of Cuba offering the crop.  
In it the Cuban growers offering to turn  
the crop over to the United States at a  
fixed price, as it had done the previous  
year.

Senator Gay asked if the longshore-  
men's strike in New York was not the  
cause of much of the shortage.  
"It was a contributing factor. It was  
the failure of the president to authorize  
the purchase of the sugar crop that ac-  
tually caused the shortage," Senator  
McNary continued.

RESTRICTIONS NOT  
TO BE REMOVED

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Restrictions  
upon consumption of coal imposed dur-  
ing the coal shortage in the past will not  
be modified until the production of coal  
is sufficient to meet the immediate es-  
sential needs of the country. It was  
announced today at the office of Direc-  
tor Gen. Hines. The hope is entertain-  
ed by Director Hines that a single  
week's production will bring a material  
improvement in the situation. Ar-  
rangements are being made to put every  
available car at the disposal of the  
mines as soon as the miners return to  
work.

RAILROADS ARE  
TO GO BACK

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
WASHINGTON, Dec. 10.—Director Gen.  
Hines of the railroad administration this  
afternoon declared that there has  
been no change in his plans and the  
president will turn the railroads back  
to their private owners on Dec. 21. The  
statement was made in answer to num-  
erous rumors that the president has  
decided to defer the return of the roads.

## MAY HAVE SUCCEEDED

Jack Cassel, 42 years old, 1901 Wash-  
ington street, Gary, who mysteriously  
disappeared from his home and has not  
been seen or heard of since.  
That Cassel was of a despondent na-  
ture and that he wrote threatening note  
before he disappeared, lead the police  
and relatives to believe that he may  
have attempted to take his life. It is  
said that he was a dark, thin, light com-  
plexion, smooth face, blue eyes and  
dark brown hair. Wore a soft green  
hat, dark overcoat, brown shoes and a  
blue serge suit.

## Dainty Vendor of Red Cross Christmas

Seals Showing a \$95.000 Stamp She Sold.



Everybody is helping the campaign  
to pile up receipts from the sale of  
Red Cross Christmas Seals. This  
photograph shows Miss Peggie Shaw,  
who sold the daily drives in the  
some of her heavy sleep after a  
night's work on a New York theatre  
stage displaying a \$25,000 Red Cross  
stamp she had just sold to Mr. Allan  
Ryan. Many theatrical people had  
been aiding the daily drives in the  
Wall street district.

General Movement to Increase  
Ad Rates 20 Per Cent is On

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—(Special)—A  
general movement to increase newspaper  
advertising rates about 20 per cent is  
reported by the Editor and Publisher, a  
leading trade periodical, which has been  
conducting a nation-wide survey. De-  
velopments in various cities and sections  
have been reported as follows:

Detroit.—Rates increased average of  
20 per cent. Sunday papers may increase  
price from 8 to 10 cents.  
Hartford.—The Times will increase ad-  
vertising rate by 14 cents an inch Jan-  
uary 1. Courant may follow example.

Rochester.—Rates on special classes of  
advertising raised November 1 and new  
general rate card will soon be issued.

Houston, Tex.—The Chronicle has  
raised advertising rates, but not sub-  
scription rates. The Press has increased  
its rates for both.

Spokane, Ore.—Advertising rates in-  
creased to meet growing costs of pro-  
duction.  
Hammond, Ind.—The Times was forced

DISASTROUS  
FIRE RAGES  
AT TULSA O.

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
TULSA, Okla., Dec. 10.—Fire in the  
main business district threatened to wipe  
out an entire block here early this morn-  
ing. The fire raged for several hours,  
starting about 2 o'clock and at 9 o'clock  
this morning was not under control.  
Firemen expressed the opinion that the  
blaze could be confined to the Alexander  
building, in which it started, however,  
the danger of the fire spreading to other  
buildings is imminent due to the low  
water pressure.

The R. C. Geck Lumber Co. was totally  
destroyed by fire, which started shortly  
following the start of the downtown con-  
flagration.

A lumber fire handicapped the fire-  
men in fighting the business section fire,  
owing to the use of apparatus at the  
lumber yards.

HOW STOCKS  
OPENED

(INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE)  
NEW YORK, Dec. 10.—The stock mar-  
ket opened quiet and easy today. Traders  
were awaiting definite word from  
Indianapolis as to what action the min-  
ers will take.

Steel common ranged between 102 1/2  
and 103 1/2. Bidwell yielded 1/2 to 103 1/2.  
Crescent 3/4 to 207, General Motors 2 1/2  
to 226, Studebaker 1 1/2 to 16 1/2, Allis  
Chalmers 1 1/2 to 46 and Pierce Arrow 4  
to 75 1/2.

The rails were under pressure. South-  
ern Pacific yielding one point to 102 1/2.  
Union Pacific 1/2 to 123 1/2, and fractional  
declines were recorded in Baltimore &  
Ohio, Canadian Pacific and Reading.  
Mexican Petroleum dropped one point  
to 196 1/2, Trans-Oil 1/2 to 42 1/2, Pan-  
American Petroleum 1/2 to 105 1/2, and  
Royal Dutch 1/2 to 104 1/2.  
The Marine shares yielded fractionally.  
United Retail Stores dropped one point  
to 89 and United States Rubber one point  
to 123 1/2.

Big Plans  
for Inland  
Steel Plant

The Inland Steel Company, whose big  
plant is located in Indiana Harbor, has  
announced its intention of re-incor-  
porating and recapitalizing as an Illinois  
corporation. The company is now incor-  
porated under the laws of Delaware  
and is capitalized at \$30,000,000, divided  
into 300,000 shares of \$100 par value.

A meeting of the stock holders has  
been called for December 15 to vote on  
the proposal of the directors to change  
the stock issue to 1,200,000 shares of \$25  
par value. This new stock will be issued  
four to one of the present shares.

After the company has been incorpo-  
rated under the laws of Illinois it is  
planned to change the stock to a new  
issue of no par value, which will be  
exchanged for the \$25 shares. The final  
capital stock will consist of 1,200,000  
shares of no par value and of this 1,000,  
750 shares will represent the exchange  
for the present outstanding stock. The  
remaining 249,250 shares will be held in  
the treasury.

The company also plans to list the  
new stock on the New York stock ex-  
change and it is expected that the divi-  
dend rate will be \$4.00 annually or 16  
per cent on the present stock. The pre-  
sent stock is traded on the Chicago ex-  
change and has recently sold from \$260  
to \$250, the present dividend rate being  
\$8.00.

TRAIN SCHEDULE  
CHANGES TODAY

Changes on the New York Central  
train schedule went into effect in Gary  
today.

It provides the removal of the after-  
noon train leaving Gary for Chicago at  
2 o'clock with a train running on Sat-  
urday's and Sunday's at 2:35 p. m.  
The other trains to be taken off is the  
9:30 East bound evening train for Elkhart.  
No other changes are announced.

FOUR LAKE CO.  
G. O. P. THERE

Among the Indiana republicans of  
note who are in Washington attending  
the meeting of the party leaders there  
are P. R. Schaaf and W. J. Riley, both  
members of the State Executive Com-  
mittee, J. J. Killikrew, county chair-  
man and Thos. Roberts of East Chicago.

MEETING IS  
CALLED FOR  
1:30 P. M.

Pres. Lewis Doesn't Seem as  
Confident as When Meeting  
Started Yesterday.

(BULLETIN)  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 10.—The  
meeting of the officials of the United  
Mine Workers of America in session here  
to consider the government's offer of a  
fourteen per cent wage increase as a  
basis for settling the coal miners'  
strikes adjourned at 12:10 without reach-  
ing an agreement.

They will meet again at 1:30 this  
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"We have the question under consid-  
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